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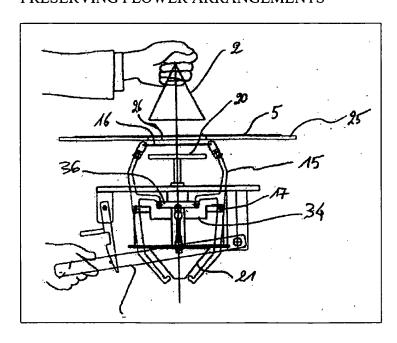
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(54) Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MOUNTING A DEVICE FOR DISPLAYING AND PRESERVING FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS



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(57) Abstract: The invention concerns an apparatus for mounting a device (10) for displaying individual flower arrangements, said device comprising a base element (2) which may or may not be equipped with a raised ridge (4) over its entire circumference, and a sheet (5) which may or may not be watertight placed under base element (2) and which is gathered around the center top of the device (10) and held by a fixing element (9) comprising a ribbon (7) for keeping sheet (5) sealed around the flower arrangement. The invention is distinguished by the fact that the apparatus comprises: several movable pivoting draping fingers (15) associated with a binding cord (16) for guiding sheet (5) around base element (2), a support base plate (20) that moves along a vertical axis to support device 10, a guide means (21) of predetermined shape connected to base plate (20) for guiding all the draping fingers (15), and an actuating means (30) for moving the support base plate (20) and the guide means (21) along the vertical axis and for pivoting all the draping fingers (15) that are guided by guide means (21) so that cord (16) is bound around draped sheet (5).

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